# No. 05-19-00607-CV

PETER BEASLEY,	§ IN THE 5 <sup>th</sup> DISTRICT COURT
Appellant,	§ FILED IN § 5th COURT OF APPEALS DALLAS, TEXAS
v.	Š COU <b>is/ib 1/240 20 Proe24 i 39</b> PM
SOCIETY FOR INFORMATION MANAGEMENT, ET. AL,  Appellees.	§ LISA MATZ § Clerk
	§ DALLAS, TEXAS

OPPOSED VERIFIED MOTION TO RECUSE JUSTICE BILL WHITEHALL TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES OF SAID COURT:

NOW COMES, Appellant, Peter Beasley, *pro se*, pursuant to Rule 16.2 of the Rules of Appellate Procedure, and Rules 18a and 18b of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, and in support of this Verified Motion to Recuse, states the following:

# Grounds for Recusal

1. Pursuant to Rule 18a, as supported by declaration, Plaintiff seeks the recusal of The Honorable Justice Bill Whitehall, by rule, on grounds that a lawyer with whom the judge previously practiced law has been a material witness concerning the proceeding. Tex. R. Civ. P. 18b(b)(4).

# Facts Supporting Recusal

2. Peter Vogel, well known in the Dallas legal community, has had a 28-year career, as an attorney at Gardere, Wynn, Sewell LLP, as one of its Partners since 1992, with a 79-page resume. [EXHIBIT D]. Currently, Mr. Vogel is Of Counsel with Foley Gardere.

- 3. Justice Whitehill, before taking the appellate bench, was an attorney at Gardere Wynn Sewell LLP from 1982 to 2014, for more than 32-years. Justice Whitehill was elected Partner in 1989 and held that position until 2014.
- 4. Since March 21, 2016, attorney Peter Vogel has been professing to Beasley, and to Dallas and Collin County District courts, to this Court, and to the Texas Supreme Court that he is one the attorney for all of the Appellees. Appellees' counsel Robert Bragalone and Sona Garcia have been making similar representations since April 1, 2016. [EXHIBIT C].
- 5. The first order entered in this 4 year conflict between the parties was a temporary restraining order issued March 31, 2016, by the 162<sup>nd</sup> District Court. [Exhibit B]. This restraining order prohibited Appellee SIM-DFW from withholding any privilege of Peter Beasley, as a Director and member of the SIM-DFW Executive Committee, based on his filing of a lawsuit against SIM-DFW.
- 6. In the trial court below, and in this court, Beasley filed a Rule 12 motion challenging the authority of all of appellee's counsel to defend the lawsuit. In response, attorney Peter Vogel testified as a witness, by declaration, [EXHIBIT A], that he and appellees' other counsel were retained at a meeting of the SIM-DFW Executive Committee on April 4, 2016 which, IF TRUE, would have been at a time and manner in direct violation of the district court's restraining order. SIM-DFW did not invite Beasley to that meeting, if one in fact actually occurred.

- 7. In the litigation, SIM-DFW failed to produce minutes or a resolution of the corporation or from its Board of Directors of April 5, 2016, which authorizes any of appellee's counsel to represent SIM-DFW.
- 8. After receiving Peter Vogel's declaration that he and the other lawyers were legitimate, retained counsel for appellees, the court never allowed Beasley a hearing to present his Rule 12 challenge. Attorney Peter Vogel, along with the other lawyers who claim they represent appellees, filed a motion to declare Peter Beasley a vexatious litigant and secured a dismissal of all of Peter Beasley's claims the judgment under appeal.
  - 9. In this proceeding, by Issue #16, Beasley appeals,

Whether the trial court abused its discretion from denying a litigant from ever obtaining a hearing to present Rule 12 challenges and disqualification issues against the attorneys who filed a vexatious litigant motion. Appellant's 2<sup>nd</sup> Amended Brief on the Merits, No. 05-19-00607, November 4, 2019.

- 10. February 26, 2020, this court assigned Justices Carlyle, Osborne, and Whitehill to hear this appeal on April 26, 2020.
  - 11. Justice Whitehall has thus far taken no action in this appeal.

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# The Rules for Recusal

# 12. Appellate procedure provides:

The grounds for recusal of an appellate court justice or judge are the same as those provided in the Rules of Civil Procedure. In addition, a justice or judge must recuse in a proceeding if it presents a material issue which the justice or judge participated in deciding while serving on another court in which the proceeding was pending.

Tex. R. App. P. 16.2

# 13. Texas Civil procedure provides:

A judge must recuse in any proceeding the judge or a lawyer with whom the judge previously practiced law has been a material witness concerning the proceeding.

Tex. R. Civ. P. 18b(b)(4).

# ARGUMENT AND AUTHORITIES

or discretionary." *Ex parte Thuesen*, 546 S.W.3d 145, 151 (Tex. Crim. App. 2017) (per curiam); *Rogers v. Bradley*, 909 S.W.2d 872, 873 (Tex. 1995). While Justice Whitehall would have no personal knowledge of whether Peter Vogel and his colleagues had the authority to represent their alleged clients, the *non-permissive* 

conflict arises from the 25+ years working together as partners and the special difficulty that fact may or may not present to the tribunal in considering the disputed testimony.

# Peter Vogel's Material Disputed Testimony

15. Under the penalty of perjury, attorney Peter Vogel testified on February 27, 2018: [EXHIBIT A].

"In my 40 years of law practice I have never misrepresented any facts or law in any pleading or in Court, nor violated any of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, nor have I ever been sanctioned by any Court, nor have I ever been ordered to as disqualified from representing a client."

"On March 21, 2016 I sent an email to Peter Beasley stating that I represented SIM-DFW, and since that date on behalf of the Defendants I have attended virtually every deposition and hearing in the case in the 162nd District Court.

On April 4, 2016 Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP hosted a meeting of the SIM-DFW Executive Committee members and attorneys Soña Garcia, Dwight Francis, and me, and without revealing any Attorney-Client Privilege, the SIM-DFW Executive agreed that Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP would represent SIM-DFW in the Peter Beasley litigation.

Thereafter on April 5, 2016 on behalf of SIM-DFW Janis O'Bryan signed an Engagement Letter with Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP SIM-DFW regarding Peter Beasley's litigation, and Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP has represented SIM-DFW in Peter litigation since that date, a copy is attached to this Declaration as Exhibit 1."

# Materiality of Peter Vogel's Testimony

16. Proof that Peter Vogel's declaration is untrue – that appellees counsel were never properly retained by SIM-DFW would establish that the underlying judgments were obtained through fraud, and are void. A failure by appellees' counsel to demonstrate their authority to defend the lawsuit would result in a dire, mandatory consequence that all of their pleadings be stricken. *In re Salazar*, 315 S.W.3d 279, 287 (Tex.App.-Fort Worth 2010, orig. proceeding)(mandamus relief granted to order all pleadings stricken of attorneys who failed to show their authority in a Rule 12 challenge). Such a determination would certainly open Peter Vogel and his co-counsel to financial sanctions, malpractice lawsuits, professional misconduct reviews, and professional ridicule.

# Peter Vogel's puts His Personal History and Credibility at Issue

- 17. Incredulously, Peter Vogel, to defend his and his colleague's authority as legal counsel, testified to multiple contradictions and to obvious false, exaggerations.
- 18. Gaudily, Mr. Vogel admits on March 21, 2016, he represented to Peter Beasley that Mr. Vogel represented SIM-DFW, but then he further testified under oath that the representation began April 5, 2016. Mr. Vogel's two statements contradict, and are misrepresentations.

- 19. Brazenly, Mr. Vogel admits he hosted a meeting of SIM-DFW's Executive Committee in his office on April 4, 2016. The meeting did not include Peter Beasley, a Director and member of the Executive Committee, and Mr. Vogel advising his client to and participating to violate a valid restraining order is a violation of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct.
- 20. Mr. Vogel, testified that over his entire 40 year career, which includes over 25 years working as Partners with Justice Whithall, that Mr. Vogel has never lied, misrepresented any fact, nor violated any Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct. Mr. Vogel's characterization of his 40 year career that he has never misrepresented any fact (even by negligence) is in itself an obvious misrepresentation.
- 21. What lawyer in 40 years has never misspoke, lied, or misrepresented something? It's like asking what Texas motor driver in 40 years has never sped, rolled through a stop sign or has always used their turn signal when changing lanes? If a lawyer is alive (moving their mouth) for any length of time, like any human, mistakes will certainly happen.

# <u>Intertwined Testimony and Material Issue</u>

22. Perhaps, Peter Vogel is the one Texas lawyer or the only natural human who has never told a lie. Justice Whitehall likely has personal knowledge on this

material issue. No one but Peter Vogel caused him to testify the way he did in his declaration. He put his career-long behavior as fair game for impeachment, which career clearly overlaps for more than a quarter-century at Gardere Wynn Sewell with Justice Whitehall.

- 23. Whether Peter Vogel is telling the truth in his Declaration is material to whether the court committed reversible error in denying Beasley a Rule 12 hearing. Peter Vogel's testimony is on a material issue in this appeal.
- 24. Mr. Vogel's testimony intertwines with Justice Whitehall's personal knowledge of whether Mr. Vogel has never "misrepresented any facts or law in any pleading or in Court, nor violated any of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct, nor [] been sanctioned by any Court, nor [] been ordered to as disqualified from representing a client."
- 25. Justice Whitehall, by the mandatory rule and given their long, long history together as colleagues, should not be put into the position to decide on testimony that may hold that Mr. Vogel represented clients without authority and committed acts of misconduct.

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26. Beasley formally seeks the recusal of Justice Bill Whitehall.

27. This motion is filed more than 21 days before submission, and it is not

filed for delay.

28. The court of appeals has 13 justices, and this matter can easily be decided

by justices other than Justice Whitehall.

**PRAYER** 

29. WHEREFORE, Beasley asks the Clerk of this Court to present the

motions to Justice Bill Whitehall for his consideration. If Justice Whitehall does

not grant the motion, Beasley requests a determination from the court en banc by

majority vote.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Peter Beasley

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STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF DALLAS §

# **DECLARATION OF PETER BEASLEY**

§

My first, middle, and last name is Peter Morell Beasley, my date of birth is September 20, 1958, and my address is 12915 Fall Manor, Dallas, Texas, 75243, United States. I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing statements are true and correct.

- 1. My name is Peter Beasley. I am over the age of twenty-one years, of sound mind, have never been convicted of any felony offense and I am fully competent and authorized to make this affidavit. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein and in the Motion to Recuse due to my personal involvement in the events and occurrences set forth, or are being made on information and belief.
  - 2. All of the facts stated herein are true.
- 3. This motion is not for delay and not based solely on the rulings of the court.
- 4. The attached documents are true copies of the documents they represent.

Executed in Dallas, State of Texas, on the 31st day of March, 2020.

Declarant

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# Certificate of Conference

I held a conference with opposing counsel on this matter and they are opposed.

<u>/s/Peter Beasley</u> Peter Beasley

# Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that on the 31<sup>sth</sup> day of March 2020, a true copy of the foregoing instrument was served on opposing counsel for the defendants by electronic means and the electronic transmissions were reported as complete.

<u>/s/Peter Beasley</u> Peter Beasley

# Exhibit A

#### **EXHIBIT C**

# CAUSE NO. 296-05741-2017

PETER BEASLEY,	<b>§</b>	IN THE DISTRICT COURT
	§	
Plaintiff,	§	
	§	
v.	§	
	§	COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS
SOCIETY FOR INFORMATION	§	
MANAGEMENT, DALLAS AREA	§	
CHAPTER, JANIS O'BRYAN AND	§	
NELLSON BURNS	§	
	§	296th JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Defendant	<b>§</b>	

# **DECLARATION OF PETER S. VOGEL**

My name is Peter S. Vogel, and office address is 2021 McKinney Ave., Suite 1600, Dallas, Texas 75201. I declare the following statements to be true and correct under the penalty of perjury.

- 1. "My name is Peter S. Vogel. I am over eighteen (18) years of age, have never been convicted of a crime involving moral turpitude, and am fully competent in all respects to make this Affidavit. The facts stated in this Declaration are within my personal knowledge, true, and correct.
- 2. I graduated from St. Mary's University School of Law in May, 1976, passed the Texas Bar Examination in October 1976, and was admitted to practice law on November 1, 1976. On July 1, 1978 I began practicing law as a sole practitioner, and on February 6, 1992 I became a partner at Gardere & Wynne LLP which later became Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP.
- 3. I have been a member of SIM-DFW for 16 years, and have drafted and negotiated agreements on behalf of SIM-DFW and given legal advice to the Board of Directors and Committee Chairs.

**EXHIBIT C** 

4. Peter Beasley sued SIM-DFW on March 17, 2016. On March 20, 2016 I was

notified that Peter Beasley had filed suit against SIM-DFW in the 162nd District Court, Dallas

County, Texas, Cause No. DC-16-03141, after he informally served his lawsuit by email on

Larry Freed and Nellson Burns on March 19, 2016.

5. On March 21, 2016 I sent an email to Peter Beasley stating that I represented

SIM-DFW, and since that date on behalf of the Defendants I have attended virtually every

deposition and hearing in the case in the 162<sup>nd</sup> District Court.

6. On April 4, 2016 Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP hosted a meeting of the SIM-DFW

Executive Committee members and attorneys Soña Garcia, Dwight Francis, and me, and without

revealing any Attorney-Client Privilege, the SIM-DFW Executive agreed that Gardere Wynne

Sewell LLP would represent SIM-DFW in the Peter Beasley litigation.

7. Thereafter on April 5, 2016 on behalf of SIM-DFW Janis O'Bryan signed an

Engagement Letter with Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP SIM-DFW regarding Peter Beasley's

litigation, and Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP has represented SIM-DFW in Peter litigation since

that date, a copy is attached to this Declaration as Exhibit 1.

8. I do not believe there is any conflict of interest in my representation of SIM-

DFW.

9. In my 40 years of law practice I have never misrepresented any facts or law in any

pleading or in Court, nor violated any of the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct,

nor have I ever been sanctioned by any Court, nor have I ever been ordered to as disqualified

from representing a client.

Dated: February 27, 2018

Peter Vogel

Peter S. Vogel

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# Exhibit B

CAUSE NO	<u>DC-16-03141</u> .
Peter Beasley,	) IN THE DISTRICT COURT
Plaintiff,	)
vs.	) ) DALLAS COUNTY
Society of Information Management,	) DALLAS COUNTT
Dallas Area Chapter	)
Defendant.	) 162 <sup>nd</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT

# PLAINTIFF'S EX PARTE TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDER

Plaintiff, Peter Beasley, ("Beasley"), has presented an Ex Parte Application for a Temporary Restraining Order.

The Court FINDS that Defendant SIM Dallas may be retaliating against Beasley for filing this lawsuit. It appears from the facts set forth in Plaintiff's Application for Ex Parte Temporary Restraining Order, the exhibits, sworn affidavits attached thereto, and from testimony and argument, that unless Defendant is immediately restrained from the acts prohibited below, Defendant will commit such acts before notice can be given and a hearing can be held on Beasley's request for a Temporary Injunction. Given the potential of immediate harm to Beasley, the Application for Ex Parte Temporary Restraining Order is GRANTED.

IT IS ORDERED that Defendant, SIM Dallas, will immediately refrain from seeking to expel Beasley from his membership in SIM Dallas on April 4, 2016.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant, SIM Dallas, its agents, servants, contractors, employees, attorneys and any other persons working in active concert or participation with them, shall be restrained from removing, impeding or withholding any Temporary Restraining Order

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privilege, right or duty Beasley held within the SIM Dallas corporation when this suit was filed, based on him filing, presenting, seeking to settle, and prosecute this lawsuit.

Plaintiff's request for Expedited Discovery is GRANTED.

IT FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant, SIM Dallas shall provide the documents requested in the March 28, 2016, Expedited Document Discovery to the Plaintiff on April 4, 2016.

The Clerk of this above-entitled Court shall forthwith issue an Ex Parte Temporary Restraining Order in conformity with the law and the terms of this Order, and cite SIM Dallas to appear and show cause.

Plaintiff is directed to post a \$\frac{1200}{200}\$ bond. The hearing on Plaintiff's Application for Temporary Injunction is hereby set for the \frac{12}{12} th day of April, 2016, at \frac{9:30}{9:30} o'clock, \frac{1}{200}\$. M.

29<sup>+</sup> SIGNED on March 38, 2016 at 9:15 2 .M.

HIDGE PRESIDING

# Exhibit C

# **Peter Beasley**

From: Vogel, Peter Pogel@gardere.com>
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2016 4:43 PM
To: pbeasley@netwatchsolutions.com

**Subject:** Meeting on Thursday, March 24 from 8-10am

RE: Peter Beasley v. Society of Information Management, Dallas Area Chapter, 162<sup>nd</sup> District Court, Dallas County Texas, Cause No. DC-16-03141 (the "Lawsuit")

Peter,

The DFW SIM Chapter retained me to represent them in the Lawsuit you filed on March 17, 2016, and I hope you can come to my office to meet with Chapter leadership from 8-10am this Thursday, March 24, 2016 so that we can attempt to resolve the issues in dispute.

Please confirm your availability as soon as practical, thanks.

I am hopeful that we can settle the Lawsuit on Thursday.

Peter

# Peter S. Vogel

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# **Peter Beasley**

From: Bob Bragalone <br/> bbragalone@gordonrees.com>

**Sent:** Friday, April 1, 2016 12:16 PM **To:** 'pbeasley@netwatchsolutions.com'

Cc:Soña GarciaSubject:Beasley v. SIM

Mr. Beasley -

My firm has been retained to represent the interests of the Society of Information Management, Dallas Area Chapter and Ms. Janis O'Bryan. Because you are acting as your own counsel, I am writing to introduce myself as your opposing counsel and to request that you route all communications regarding the case through me and my colleague, Sona Garcia (copied here). Please note that this includes all communications with our clients, including all Directors and Officers and all members of the local chapter.

We look forward to working with you on this matter.

Regards,

# **BOB BRAGALONE** | PARTNER

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# Exhibit D

# Peter S. Vogel

# Chair, Internet, eCommerce and Technology; Co-Chair, Cybersecurity and Privacy Legal Services, Partner, Litigation

Peter Vogel is renowned as both a trial and transactional lawyer who deeply understands technology, science and intellectual property, and the opportunities and problems they pose for clients. Governments and administrative agencies, as well as major corporations and emerging businesses, rely on Peter to get right to the heart of an information technology or e-discovery dispute; he knows what to expect and how it will play out in the courtroom. This eliminates unproductive rabbit trails and reduces the cost of litigation for all parties. When negotiating agreements for IT implementation projects for ERP or development projects for healthcare and other companies, his knowledge of technology enables his clients and their vendors to reach consensus faster.

CEOs and other C-suite executives consult with Peter on the confluence of technology, business and law. He advises on cyber-security and identity protection, international privacy laws and global technology disputes, combining complex enterprise systems after a merger or acquisition, and counsels with clients when they are upgrading IT platforms. In every instance, his technical experience, background, and understanding of relationship dynamics streamline the pathway to the right answer and best approach or solution.

Peter is often appointed a Special Master representing the court in IT and eDiscovery disputes. In addition, a court-ordered mediator in eDiscovery and ESI, internet, e-commerce, intellectual property and IT litigation, and has represented numerous states, counties and municipal governments inside Texas and throughout the U.S.

For more than 30 years, Peter has heard dozens of arbitration disputes around the U.S. for the American Arbitration Association.

# Clients include:

- Austin Industries
- Bryan Texas Utilities
- CHRISTUS Trinity Mother Francis Hospital
- Chubb Group Insurance
- · City of Carrollton, Texas
- City of Huntsville, Texas
- Collin County, Texas
- CompSource Oklahoma
- · Darling Ingredients
- Essilor of America
- · Goldman Sachs & Co.
- Harman AMX
- Health Language, Inc.
- JDA Software Group
- John M. Floyd & Associates Inc.



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### **Industries**

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### **Practices**

Advertising, Marketing and Promotions
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Resolution
Commercial Litigation
Committee on Foreign
Investment in the United
States
Corporate
Cross-Border Transactions
Government Affairs
Government Contracts
Intellectual Property
International
Litigation

# **Education**

M.S., American University (1972)

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- Marco's Pizza
- Morison Supply Company
- NCS Pearson Inc.
- Noodle Education
- Noosa Yoghurt
- Oklahoma Municipal Assurance
- One Safe Place Media
- Pedernales Electric Coop
- RealPage, Inc.
- Santander Consumer USA
- Steel Technologies, Inc.
- Teacher Retirement System of Texas
- Texas Department of information Resources
- Texas Department of Motor Vehicles
- Texas Health Resources
- The Princeton Review
- W.C. Bradley, Inc.
- · Wichita County, Texas

• Computer Science

J.D., St. Mary's University School of Law (1976)

B.B.A., The University of Texas at Austin (1969)

# **Experience**

# **Litigation and Contract Negotiations**

- Served as a federal court-appointed receiver to operate and manage a portfolio of foreign and domestic companies with assets including approximately 150,000 internet domain names
- Represented Oklahoma's largest provider of workers compensation insurance in dispute about a software development project
- Represented a third-party defendant against claims of alleged infringement of copyrighted architectural drawings; See Shelby Shelton Inc. v. Franz Jeanes Lazo Cora and Assoc. Inc., 4:09-CV-437 (N.D. Texas)
- Represented the Teacher Retirement System of Texas in negotiating replacement of Legacy Computer Software System
- Defended JDA Software in a federal lawsuit regarding an alleged failed website development project for front-end and back-end processing
- Represented Collin County in an alleged failed ERP software against Sungard
- Represented a software provider in a contract dispute with a financial services provider involving claims of breach of joint marketing and promotion agreement
- Represented the owner of software for sewing machine patterns in dispute with software distributor
- Represented an online advertising agency specializing in pay-forperformance search engine marketing involving claims for defamation, tortious interference and unfair competition
- Successfully defended client in jury trial against breach of contract and conversion claims asserted by computer services company
- Advised health care providers and group health plans in HIPAA compliance
- Represented international luxury hotel brand in cross-border disputes

- Global representation of an expanding ultra-luxury hotel brand
- Represented File & ServeXpress Holdings, LLC, a private equitysponsored provider of e-filing and e-service solutions, in its acquisition of CaseFileXpress and the File & Serve division of Reed Elsevier Inc., the parent company of LexisNexis
- Represented private equity-backed Health Language Inc., a medical terminology software company, in its sale to an affiliate of Wolters Kluwer Health Inc., a subsidiary of Wolters Kluwer N.V.
- · Advised health plan third party administrator
- Represented restaurant technology company in loan and/or equipment lease financings with multiple lenders for the deployment of tabletop devices in Chili's, Uno and Olive Garden restaurants nationwide

# **Arbitration Dispute Examples**

- Alleged breach of App hosting service agreement by international technology company based in the EU
- Alleged breach of implementation of Oracle ERP system by international manufacturer
- Alleged breach of software development for national train enterprise and counterclaim of fraudulent inducement
- Alleged breach of software development agreement for internet based gaming company, and counterclaim for fraud
- Alleged patent infringement under an international Patent License, including a Markman Hearing
- Alleged violation of international based internet Service Provider agreement as to the Intellectual Property ownership
- Alleged patent infringement for manufacture of paintball guns, including a Markman Hearing
- Alleged breach of outsourcing IT services agreement for more than 100 U.S. hospitals
- Alleged breach of contract for a failed patent monitoring device used to monitor gas tank levels in service stations
- Alleged breach of automobile dealer software license for failure to properly manage dealership
- Alleged theft of trade secrets by U.S. government contractor for remote monitoring of military vehicles
- Alleged copyright infringement of website content of travel blogs
- Alleged breach of subcontract of a software development agreement for international oil company and related spoliation of key evidence
- Alleged failed software implementation agreement for national healthcare provider
- Alleged breach of implementation of Oracle ERP system because of too many customizations

# **Professional & Community**

### **Professional Affiliations**

• Founding Chair, Texas Supreme Court Judicial Committee on

Information Technology (mission is to automate the Courts and establish eFiling in Texas)

- · Member, State Bar of Texas
  - Founding Chair, Computer & Technology Section
  - Former Board Member
  - Former Chair, Minimum Continuing Legal Education Committee
  - Former Chair, Annual Practical Computer Seminars
- · Member, Dallas Bar Association
  - Former President
- · Member, Dallas Bar Foundation
  - · Former Chair, Board of Trustees
- Adjunct Professor, Law of the Internet/eCommerce and eDiscovery, SMU Dedman School of Law
- Board Member, Academy of Court Appointed Masters
- Board Member, Silicon Valley Arbitration & Mediation Center

### **Honors & Awards**

- Recognized, The Best Lawyers® in America (Steven Naifeh & Gregory White Smith eds., Woodward/White Inc.)
  - Information Technology Law (2008-2018)
  - Communications Law (2006-2016)
  - Technology Law (2017-2018)
- Recognized, Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business (Tom Wicker ed., Chambers & Partners)
  - Technology: Corporate & Commercial (Texas) (2010-2017)
  - Technology & IT Outsourcing (2004-2007)
- Recognized, Texas Super Lawyers<sup>®</sup>, a Thomson Reuters business, as published in Texas Super Lawyers Magazine
  - Intellectual Property Litigation (2005-2017)
- Recognized, Best Lawyers in Dallas, D Magazine
  - Digital Information Law (2014, 2016)
  - Digital Information and Technology (2017)
- Recipient, Critical Issues Summit Group Award, Association of CLE Administrators (2015)
- Recognized, The Legal 500 United States
  - Media, Technology and Telecoms Technology: Transactions (2011, 2012)
- Recognized, AV® Preeminent™ 5.0 out of 5 Peer Review Rated, Martindale-Hubbell® PEER REVIEW RATINGS™
- Recognized, Lifetime Achievement Award in Promoting Technology in Law, State Bar of Texas Computer & Technology Section

### **Community Involvement**

- Board Member and Attorney, Texas Speech-Language Foundation
- Board Advisor, Northlake-Hillcrest Crime Watch
- Former Board Member, Family Gateway

# **Admissions**

- Texas (1976)
- Texas State Courts (1976)
- · U.S. District Court for the Eastern, Northern, Southern and Western Districts of Texas
- Texas Fifth Court of Appeals (1978)
- U.S. Supreme Court (1980)

# **Sponsored Events**

• 02.05.15 Gardere to Host CLE on Cyber Intrusions

# **Speaking Engagements**

- Information Security and Innovation How Can We Have Both? 2017 Dallas CIO Executive Leadership Summit
- 11.09.17

Legal Ethics Challenges in the World of Health Care Cyber Threats: Law, Technology and Professional Responsibility for Health Care Lawyers **UT Law CLE** 

• 09.25.17

Breach Response: How to Use Outside Counsel to Protect Sensitive Information 2017 (ISC)2 Security Congress Conference

• 09.14.17

How to Mitigate eDiscovery Risk from Social Communications Inside Counsel Webcast

• 06.23.17

Keep Investigations About Cyber Intrusions Confidential and Reporting Cyber Intrusions in the US and Around the World State Bar of Texas Paralegal Division Annual Meeting

• 06.20.17

Blockchain Legal Risks

Dallas Bar Association's Blockchain Law Study Group CLE

• 06.13.17

Legal & Ethical Issues With Blockchain (Including Privacy Tax and Regulatory)

TexasBarCLE Webcast

• 05.15.17

Ethical and Legal Advice for CPAs About E-Commerce and Cyber Intrusions

Fraud and Enterprise Risk Conference

What You Need to Know About Cybersecurity (Think-IT and the Cloud)

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• 05.04.17

Legal Ethics in the Internet Age, Including Cyber Threats

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